Dec. 24, 1928.

Mrs. Mary Greene Wilson,
Tyler, Texas.

My dear Cousin Mary:

Your letter received Saturday regarding the beautiful painting. Durward arrived Saturday night from Athens, he and his family are spending the week here, and he admired your painting all day yesterday.

As explained in my letter the other day, I depended on the female members of the family to write each and all of you, but Mrs. Collier had to cook, the cook being ill and could not get another one, and little Jessie was away from home the bulk of the time in Atlanta, and it seems I stay busy and was away from home too. I was certainly very negligent, but depended on the others and their troubles delayed them.

We have a beautiful day.

Received a cablegram from Cousin Adelia. She is at Havana, Cuba, today; she, Evelyn, George Franklin's nephew, and Mrs. Franklin and her daughter. There are five of them in this party taking this four. They will be away about five months.

I trust to see all of you next spring, as I want to make a complete trip of Texas and the far West.

Give my love to each and every member of the family.

I am sending this letter to Tyler assuming that you will be there or Mt. Pleasant.

Our family here are all quite well.

The children will have their Christmas tree tonight, Durward's three and Evelyn's two. Evelyn has a little daughter named Evelyn about six months old. You know she is Mrs. J. A. Cason. Durward has three children; first, J. C., Jr.; second, Virginia; third, Robert Cuthbert, as we most always have a Robert in every family, and usually we have an Isaac.

Wishing each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I beg to remain

Sincerely,

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